

HB 457: Recount Board for School Elections  
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Secretary of State Linda McCulloch's Testimony

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Good morning Madam Chair, members of the Committee. For the record, I am Linda McCulloch, Montana Secretary of State.

As Chief Election Official for the State of Montana, I support House Bill 457 in that it clarifies that school district trustees are responsible for recounts for school elections, and it leaves the county governing body as the body responsible for recounts for county or state elections.

School elections are conducted under Title 20, and are under the authority of the school trustees, so it makes good sense for a recount to be conducted by those trustees.

I ask for your support for this common-sense bill.